

Today's
Advertisements.

A PROMENADE CONCERT.

IN AID OF THE FUNDS
OF THE
HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY,
will be held at the
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER PARADE GROUND
(kindly lent for the occasion).
TODAY
(SATURDAY), the 5th November, 1898,
at 4.15 P.M.
TICKETS, 2s each may be had from Messrs
W. ROBINSON & Co. or at the gate.
HONGKONG CLUB.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1898. [1269]

PROMENADE CONCERT.

NOTICE.

OWING to the inclemency of the weather
and dampness of the VOLUNTEER
PARADE GROUND, the CONCERT in aid of
the FUNDS of the BENEVOLENT SOCIETY,
will be held in the Theatre Royal, CITY HALL,
at 9.15 TO-NIGHT.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1898. [1315]

**TENDER FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF
NOS. 2 & 3 STOREHOUSES, TABLE
AND COACH HOUSE, REMOVAL OF
WROUGHT IRON TANKS, MAKING
TWO NEW TANKS OF A
SIMILAR CONSTRUCTION TO EXIST-
ING ONES, AND REMOVAL AND RE-
BUILDING OF POLICE STATION AS
PER PLANS.**

PLANS and Specifications may be seen by
applying to the Superintendent Civil
Engineer's Office, Department.
SEALED TENDERS to be sent under cover
to the Commodore in Charge, H.M. Naval Yard
on or before NOON on the 1st December, 1898.
The Commodore is not bound to accept the
lowest or any Tender.
H. M. Naval Yard,
Hongkong, 5th November 1898. [1318]

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship.

"THALES."
Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 8th instant,
at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAHKAH & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1898. [1316]

**CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Company's Steamship.

"WOOSUNG."
Captain Dawson, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 8th instant, at 2 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1898. [1319]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
THE Steamship.

"DENLAVERS."
Captain Webster, will be despatched for the
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 9th instant,
at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1898. [1317]

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN AND QUEEN-
SLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to
ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship.

"AUSTRALIAN."
Captain Helms, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 17th instant,
at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for
Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber
which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions,
Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the
Electric Light.

A daily qualified Surgeon is carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company
to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return
by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong 5th November, 1898. [1321]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.I. American Ship

"RUDE."
Captain Adams, having arrived will load for
above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Hongkong 5th November, 1898. [1320]

Intimations.

TAKE NOTE

IT IS UNIVERSALLY ADMITTED THAT
TO indicate the exact use of words, no
DICTIONARY can compare with the New
Edition of
WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY.
At the office of the Hongkong Telegraph you
can see, and procure for SIX DOLLARS, a Copy
of the Webster of Webster, the latest and most
emphatic proof that Labor omnia vincit.



**A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.**

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH CLASS.

BRANDIES.

- *** A. Hennessy's Old
Pale, Red Capsule.....\$13.00
- **** J. Superior Very
Old Cognac, Red Capsule 21.00
- ***** C Very Old Li-
queur Cognac..... 24.00
- V. O. D Hennessy's Fin-
est Very Old Liqueur
Cognac, 1872 Vintage,
Red Capsule..... 30.00
- V. V. O. F Finest Very
Old Liqueur Cognac,
1842 Vintage..... 48.00

All our Brandy is guaranteed to
be pure Cognac, the difference in
price being merely a question of age
and vintage.

Smaller quantities and sample
bottles will be supplied at propor-
tionate wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and
Spirits to be genuine when bought
direct from us in the Colony or from
our authorised Agents at the Coast
Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1898. [131]

MARRIAGE.

On the 26th ult., at the Church of Saint
Bartholomew, Bathurst, by the Rev. E. Mor-
lock, A.M., assisted by the Rev. W. A. Beckler,
A.M., Captain James, son of J. A. Beckler,
Esq., of the Hongkong Telegraph, and Miss
Elizabeth Francis, fourth daughter of the
late William Francis of Singapore, and Dr. John
Stead, No. 10, Mount Road.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1898.

THE SITUATION.

Yesterday we stated that the announce-
ment made by the Daily Graphic regarding
the nature of the instructions sent to Major
Marchand was opposed to the views of
the French Cabinet as set forth in their
programme and it was therefore probable
that the correspondent of the Journal in
question had been misinformed. To-day
our opinion is proved to be correct by the
Reuters' telegram which we publish in
another column, which states that:
"The statement in the Daily Graphic
concerning the instructions to Major
Marchand is denied." This contradiction
was only to be expected, for, as we
pointed out yesterday the two statements
were diametrically opposed to one an-
other. We may therefore take it for
granted that Major Marchand's instruc-
tions are to remain at Fashoda and not to
evacuate the post until compelled to do so
by Great Britain, or until such time as the
rights of France to the place are recog-
nised which latter contingency we earnestly
hope will never come to pass.

Instead of having become easier the
situation between France and Great
Britain appears to have grown more
strained, for the Temps, the principal news-
paper of Paris and the one carrying most
weight, is resolute at Great Britain in-
sisting on humiliating France over the
Fashoda question, and hints at a future
recasting of international policy against
Great Britain. In other words the
French press is striving to intimidate
us by vague hints of an alliance with
some European Power, which alliance,
if it exists at all, is probably with
Russia, though whether or no Russia is
prepared to take the side of France
over the Fashoda question to the
extent of declaring war against Great
Britain is open to doubt. We fancy that
Russia already has too many irons in
the fire of care to assist France in main-
taining her supposed rights to a strip
of territory in which Russia herself is
not interested. Had the trouble arisen on
account of France having occupied one of
the northern ports of China then matters
would have been different and Russia
could, we believe, have been counted upon
as a certain ally. Still there is a strong feel-
ing in local naval and military circles here
that it is not the Fashoda question alone that
is the occasion for all the bustle and activity
which has been manifest of late in the
fleet here and many officers believe that

were the Admiral and the General allowed
to speak they could throw a light on the
situation which would surprise the public
generally. The officers of the fleet
and garrison too ascribe our local fleet
movements to Russian activity in the
north and the concentration of the fleet at
Wel-hai-wel certainly tends to lend colour
to the supposition.

There was a rumour in town last night
to the effect that the Powerful had received
orders to proceed to Colombo either to-day
or to-morrow, but so far we have been
unable to substantiate it and have heard
of no sailing orders being issued to any of
the warships in port.

A rather significant move has been
made we hear on the part of the Police
force, orders having been issued for the
men to be made thoroughly efficient in
military drill and musketry, while
strong drafts of men have been sent to
Aberdeen, Shaikwan and Telegraph
Bay on the South shore of the Island,
the latter place never having been
policed before, evidently for the purpose
of having a small force in readiness as
lookout men or pickets in case of neces-
sity. The men left here by launch at ten
o'clock this morning and the Sikhs, in ad-
dition to their usual equipment, were
supplied with revolvers and ammunition.
The utmost reticence has been preserved
as to the reason of this step.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

CONTINUED WAR PREPARATIONS IN
GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, November 3rd.
A large number of Coast-guardmen has been
called out for immediate service with the Re-
serve Squadron.

THE FASHODA QUESTION.

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cerning the instructions to Major Marchand is
denied.
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sisting on humiliating France over the Fa-
shoda question, and hints at a future recasting
of international policy against Great Britain.

SOUTH AFRICA AND THE BRITISH
NAVY.

The H. P. W. Schroeder has introduced a
bill for the Cape Colony to contribute £50,000
per annum towards the Imperial Navy.

A CORRECTION.

In our Teletype item published yesterday,
"Anglo-Italian Syndicate" should have read
"Anglo-Italian Syndicate." The position of the
telegram regarding the Italian Minister and his
demands had not been repeated up to the time of
going to press.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—On the 5th
at 11.35 a.m.: The barometer has fallen slightly
in the North and remains steady in the South.
Pressure is normal on the China coast, and in
defect over the S. E. part of the China Sea and
the Philippines Archipelago. Gradients moderate
with fresh monsoon on the coast and in the N.
part of the China Sea. FORECAST:—Moderate
N. E. winds; light.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Sultan of Selangor is going to build a
\$35,000 Istana at Klang.

PLAGUE is active at Bangalore, the average
being said to be about twenty deaths a day.

GENERAL Bagnin-Desbordes has been ap-
pointed commander-in-chief of the troops in Indo-
China.

TO-DAY is the anniversary of the Battle of
Inkerman (1854) in which the King's Own Regi-
ment took part.

The population of Ceylon is estimated at
3,475,000, an increase of 400,000 being shown
since the 1891 census.

H. M. S. Immortalité went over to the Kowloon
Dock this morning to have one of her guns
shifted, returning to her berth this afternoon.

A FINE of \$25 was today imposed on the occu-
pant of a small tenement near Kennedy's stables,
for not providing adequate latrine accommodation.

THREE Chinese, charged by P. C. Wilson, with
having opium illegally in their possession on
board the steamer Glenfalloch, were today
fined \$20, \$15 and \$10 respectively.

THE brick-maker charged with the murder of
his wife in High Street was brought up today
and remanded after some technical evidence as to
the position of the rooms was given.

THE following is the programme of music to be
played by the K. O. L. Band at the Happy
Valley, on Monday, the 7th inst.:—

March.....Wanda
Overture.....Egmont
Selected.....La Cigale de Coreville
Ballet.....La Pologne
Valse.....Midi and Montmartre

A NOISY Chinese lady, habited Graham Street,
was today fined \$10 or one month in gaol, for
playing the chat music game. P.S. Courts pro-
ceeded. A fine of \$10 or one month was also
imposed on the occupant of a house in Irving
Street for permitting the gong and drum culance
to be carried on there.

SERGEANT O'Leary of the South Staffords has
been at Thuyetmy from hydrophobia. It ap-
pears that the late Sergeant, along with four
other men of H. Company, was on the 19th of
August bitten by a rabid dog. The other four
men who were bitten have been sent to the
Pasteur Institute, Paris.

We are glad to be able to announce (says the
Shanghai Daily Press) that the extra pay to
the officers of all grades in the Imperial Customs
Establishment is now an accomplished fact, and
that the first quarter of the enhanced rate was
duly paid on Saturday. We congratulate the
staff and the public on this settlement.

THE Burma District, which will fall vacant in
December by General Siedman's retirement,
will, says the Pioneer, presumably go to Sir
Montagu Gerard.

It is announced that Rear-Admiral Dewey pur-
chased in London through an agent, the Shakes-
pearian relic in the shape of a snuffbox made
from the mulberry tree planted by Shakespeare
in his garden at Stratford. The box formerly
belonged to Gen. Sir Denis Pack, one of Wellin-
gton's comrades.

WM (Shanghai Daily Press) have had a visit
from Mr. Tai Klachen, one of the writers in the
Hankow native paper the Han Pao. Mr. Tai
had been requested officially to leave on account
of being concerned in the writing of a leader
commenting on the Dowager Tzshihwanyan in
unfavourable terms. He describes the whole
government at Peking. The Emperor on the
other hand has endeared himself to the people
at large, whose sympathies have quite turned
round in favour of one whom they consider to be
their own Emperor.

We regret to have to report the death of Acting
Sergeant James Dickson, of the Hongkong
Police. Deceased, who was only 35 years of
age, had seven years' service in the local force,
and he was also an engine driver in the fire
brigade. The deceased officer was very popular
with all his comrades, his good nature and kindly
disposition endearing him to his officers of all
ranks and he ever had the reputation of being
a smart and efficient officer. The deceased only
returned from leave twelve months ago and took
part in the Jubilee display in London. At one
time he was a constable in the Northampton-
shire and Edinburgh Police Force and he was
born in Haddington (North Berwick). His death
was not unexpected as he had been suffering
for some time past from rheumatism and a com-
plication of ailments. The funeral left the
Government Civil Hospital at 3.30 p.m. to-day
and was attended by most of the men and
officers of duty, while other friends sent some
handsome wreaths and floral crosses.

THE Yomurti learns it is rumored that Sir
Claude MacDonald, British Minister to China,
has recently proposed the holding of a confer-
ence by the foreign Ministers at Peking for the
purpose of submitting to the Chinese Govern-
ment in the name of the Powers, the following
items:—(a) By confining the Emperor, the
Empress-Dowager is endeavouring to solely con-
trol the Empire. This action on the part of the
Empress-Dowager is contrary to the principles
of International Law and cannot be recognized
by the Powers. Moreover, the Powers at the pre-
sent time do not know who is the head of the Em-
pire. Good reasons therefore exist for the foreign
Ministers to demand from the Chinese Govern-
ment the name of the person at present in charge
of the Empire, and the Chinese Govern-
ment shall follow the rules of civilized nations by dis-
pensing with the sentence of capital punishment on
all political offenders.—(c) Administrative
reform in China is absolutely necessary, not
only for preserving the peace of the Far East,
but also for maintaining the integrity of the
Empire, and the Chinese Govern-
ment shall not, under any circumstances,
hinder or obstruct the work of reform.—(d) The
Chinese Government shall take measures to
prevent attacks on foreigners and assaults on
women, which are of frequent occurrence in the
Empire especially in the capital. The Yomurti
also hears it is rumored that the British Minis-
ter has not taken such action as indicated above.
Our native contemporary, however, thinks that
it is not improbable the Minister in question
will cause vigorous action to be taken sooner or
later.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts in their
Weekly Share Report state:—We have to
report a very quiet market during the week, and
although several stocks have changed hands, it
has been only in small quantities; prices have
however, been fairly well maintained. Banks,
—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank remains quiet
with small sales at 25, 24 and 23 per cent.
premium. The London quotation is 49 1/2.
Nationals have again been done at 17.
Marine Insurance—Unions have changed
hands at \$215 and are wanted. Trades are
enquired for at \$50. Canions are wanted at
\$230. Straits have been sold at \$71, and
more obtainable at the rate. Fire Insur-
ance—Hongkong Fire and China Fire have
been booked at \$324 and \$38 respectively.
Shipping—Hongkong, Canton and Macao
Steamboats are obtainable at \$378. China and
Manila are wanted at \$80. Indo China stea-
mboats at \$60. Douglas Steamships are en-
quired for at \$33. Star Ferries have been sold
at \$35 and \$30.50, and are wanted at the latter
rate. Refrigerators—China Segins have been
placed at \$165. Lyons have been booked at
\$45, and are now wanted at \$45. Mining—
Punjams have strengthened considerably, and
the stock has risen to \$6 without many shares
changing hands. Raubs have ruled steady at
\$36. Jelebs are offering at \$44. Olivers A
are quoted at \$3, while B's have changed hands
to a large extent at \$4 and \$4.40, closing with
seller at the latter rate. New Balmoral Pre-
ference are wanted at 45 cents. Docke,
Wharves and Godowns—Small sales of Hong-
kong and Whampoa Docke have been effected
at 160 and 264 per cent. premium, the market
closing with seller at the latter rate. Lands,
Hotels and Buildings—Hongkong Lands have
been fixed at \$75. Hongkong Hotels have been
sold at \$57, and more are wanted at the rate.
Humpreys Estate changed hands at \$4 and
close steady. Providents have changed hands
at \$30, \$10 and \$10.3, the market closing firm
at the latter rate. Kowloon Lands are wanted
at \$17. Cotton Mills—Unchanged. Miscel-
laneous—Green Islands Old have ruled firm,
and sales at \$56 have been effected; the New
Sharis have also been done at \$15. A. S.
Watsons have again been sold at \$124. Hong-
kong Electric have been in demand, and shares
have changed hands at \$1. Rogers are enquired
for at \$167.

SERGEANT COUTTS to-day charged a dilapidated
looking Chinaman with being a rogue and
vagabond. The defendant "owned up" and
was sent to gaol for three months with hard
labour. The prisoner had 27 previous convic-
tions only.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. have favoured us
with one of their Chinese Calendars for 1899.
It is a tastefully got up Chinese picture repre-
senting an episode in the career of a Chinese
Rip Van Winkle, the legend relating his ad-
ventures being printed beneath.

WITH regard to postal matters, says the Peking
Pioneer, the Postmaster-General of the Straits
Settlements has met the wants of the Native
States in such a liberal spirit that they will be
able to follow the lead of the Straits in reducing
the postage to the equivalent of a penny without
much loss.

A MONTH ago, a cargo boat from a Dutch
Settlement manned by five men entered Penang
waters. Three of the crew suddenly seized the
two others, pitched them overboard, and made
off to Penang. The two intended victims were
rescued by a passing vessel. One of them, a
few days ago, saw one of the pirates in a street
at Penang, and gave him into custody.

We have received from Messrs. Kelly and
Walsh a set of four of their special series of
Christmas cards reproduced from photos of
Chinese street scenes. They are excellently got
up in every respect and the reproductions of the
familiar street scenes are all that the most fasti-
dious of tastes could desire. These Christmas
cards will doubtless be eagerly bought by all
who wish to send their friends at home a sou-
venir of the Far East and we would advise our
readers to make their purchases as soon as pos-
sible to avoid disappointment.

OCCASIONALLY a native paper thinks fit to show
its superiority over its rivals by embellishing its
columns with a few lines of foreign type, as
names of companies, etc. and the superiority of
one of the oldest vernacular prints thus adver-
tises a well known insurance company. The
efficacy of such a form of advertisement might
be accepted, say in the Mercury, as people
would ponder over it to discover its meaning,
but it is lost on its Chinese readers. It reads
as follows:—

NKA ZEALAKD
INSURANCE CO.

—Mercury.

A PECULIAR accident happened in Stamford
Road Singapore, the afternoon. A horse and gig,
owned by Mr. Dallas, was being driven past
the Ladies' Tennis-ground in the direction of
Tanjong when, just opposite the corner of Dhoby
Gaut, the animal swerved across the road and
dashed into the brook, breaking the chain by the
road side and dragging the trap into the water
also. The water was about two feet deep
and the mud considerably deeper. The Euro-
pean driver, and a Chinaman, after floundering
about for some time in mud and water which
came up to their waists, managed to release the
horse. The gig was also dragged on to the road,
where it was found that the harness had
sustained damage. The horse was uninjured;
and the driver appeared to relish the bath.

VALUE OF EUROPEAN LIFE IN
JOHORE.

A well-known Johore planter has been attack-
ed and wounded by one of his Chinese coolies,
and the man and the rest of the gang after-
wards attempted to follow this up by murdering
the unfortunate gentleman outright. The fight
of a revolver, and the noise of an explosion when
the weapon was fired off twice in the air,
checked the attack till assistance arrived. At
the subsequent trial, as a correspondent to the
Straits Times says, the coolie was fined \$50
(or two months' imprisonment), and the man
\$200 (or six months' imprisonment).

GOLD DISCOVERY IN THE
MERGUI ARCHIPELAGO.

A correspondent sends the following extremely
interesting information:—The natives working for
the one on an island called Pulau Pales, some
forty miles due west of Victoria Point in Lower
Burma, carelessly across several nuggets of
gold embedded in the tin ore. The existence of
gold in the islands of the Mergui archipelago has
long been suspected, but the present is believed
to be the first authentic discovery of the yellow
metal in that neighbourhood. Tin ore of great
purity exists in almost all the islands, but at
Pulau, St. Mathew's and Davis's, and Kisserling
islands the existence of ore in payable quan-
tities has been proved. Clear quartz crystals in
stratified primary, suitable, it is said, for the
manufacture of eye-glasses, binoculars, &c., are
also found in one of these islands.—Pineau
Gaulle.

BAMBOOS IN BRITAIN.

Sir Herbert Maxwell writes to a home paper:
—Bamboo supply infinite grace and luxuriance
for the decoration of water margins, not like the
iris, to be planted actually in the water or marsh,
but on a well-drained bank whence the roots
may spread to the moisture near at hand. It is
curious how long it was before we discovered
the hardness of many bamboos in our climate.
Mr. Freeman-Milford's book, published only
two years ago, came as a revelation to most
gardeners, containing directions for the cultiva-
tion of upwards on one hundred species, nearly
all as hardy as their relative, the common
couch-grass. Of one condition all bamboos
are alike impatient—they cannot endure
wind. Woodworkers by nature, they must
have the shelter of trees around, yet a
clearspace overhead. When these are provided,
receiving young plants from the nursery, do not
plant them out in the open at once. The roots
are very sensitive and brittle; they are sure to
have been bruised and broken in removal.
Plant your purchase in large pots of good loam
and keep them for six months in a cool green-
house. At the end of that time the pots will be
found full of new roots, when the plants may be
planted in the new soil. In the case of fall of new
roots, when the plants may be planted in the
position they are to occupy permanently and
will grow ahead without a check, whereas, if
they had been planted out on arriving from the
nursery, they would certainly have hung fire for
a year or two, and perhaps never have recovered
at all.

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MIN-
ING CO., LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the New
Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ltd., was held to-day
at the Company's Office, Nos. 38 and 40
Queen's Road Central. Mr. H. Humphreys
presided. The other gentlemen present were—
Messrs. T. F. Hough, G. C. Cox, E. Georg, G.
Murray Bain, Nobbs, W. C. Taylor, P. Jordan,
A. H. Mancell, C. Ewen, W. H. Polty, Captain
Tillot, E. S. Joseph, W. D. Sutton, E. S. Kelly,
A. G. Stokes, Rustonjee, E. A. Hardoon, J. J.
Leila, B. B. dos Remedios, J. A. Taran, Ho
Tung, Ho Fook, Huo Tin, Lan Cho Pak, Li
Fuk Sing, Sit Tak Fan, Wong Tuck Yan, Wong
Fook.

The notice convening the meeting having
been read.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, at a private
meeting of shareholders held on the 3rd August
last, Mr. Hari Buck explained to you the position
of the company, and it was resolved at that
meeting that a copy of the Chairman's speech
and the report of the Mining Engineer should be
circulated among the shareholders, and that
work at the Mines should be stopped. The re-
ports have been duly circulated, and work at
the Mines stopped by wire. At the earnest
wish of several of the largest shareholders,
representing in the aggregate more than
half the capital of the Company, we decided
to call you together at once to pass or reject
the Resolutions which I will put to you. Be-
fore proposing the Resolutions I will ask Mr.
Ewen to read you the Agreement referred to in
the first resolution.

Mr. Ewen read the agreements.
The Chairman—I have to propose—That the
Agreement dated the Nineteenth day of
October, 1898, made between the Company of
the one part and Queen Mines, Limited, of
the other part, for the sale of the undertaking of
the Company to Queen Mines Limited, for
\$2,000,000 be paid and satisfied by the allotment
of 100,000 fully paid up Shares in Queen Mines,
Limited, of 25 cents each, be and the same is
hereby ratified.

Mr. Rustonjee seconded.
The Chairman—I beg to propose—That the
Company be wound up voluntarily and that
William Hutton Potts be, and he is hereby
appointed Liquidator for the purpose, of such
winding up.

Mr. Georg seconded.

Carried.
The Chairman—That is all the business,
gentlemen. A confirmatory meeting will be
held on Wednesday, fortnight.

THE WOMAN OF THE HOUR.

[From a Correspondent of the Pail Mail
Gazette.]

The Empress of China, who has once again
assumed the Regency, and is preparing to bring
her (and our) old friend Li Hung Chang back
with her, is commonly spoken of as the Em-
peror's mother. This is a mistake. She is the
reluctant of the Emperor Hsien-fung, who died in
his back at 1861, shortly after he had fled from
his capital at the approach of the Anglo-French
troops. The old lady has precisely run the
Empire for the past thirty-seven years, and is
generally allowed to be uncommonly clever as
well as uncommonly dictatorial. She admitted
a regency during the minority of Tzong-chi,
son of one of Hsien-fung's "secondary" wives,
and when he died in 1875, after a reign of two
short years, she again took control of the helm
of State during the minority of Kwang Hsu, the
present Emperor, who is a son of one of Hsien-
fung's younger brothers. She has had pretty
much her own way ever since "The Illustrious
Succession" assumed the government in 1875,
and has imposed her will upon the Taung-
Yamen and Kwang-tung. She rules largely by
deceit on Li Hung Chang, whose own in-
terests are not the best interests of China.
Several attempts have been made to undermine
her authority and her influence, and Prince
Kung, who died a few months back at a very
advanced age, was one of her bitterest opponents.
But she was never really beaten, and her periods
of collapse never extended beyond a week or two.

The Empress Dowager has spent a very busy
life. She was at the head of affairs during the
Taiping rebellion and during the war with
France, and she has had a hand in almost
every diplomatic transaction of the past few months.
Many curious stories are told of her—that she
persists in dining every night through the Emperors
that she seldom allows herself to be seen; that in
receiving an audience she sits on one side of a
screen whilst the audience kneels on the other;
that she has the choosing of the ladies of the
harem, and

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
*KINSHU MARU W. Brady	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A. VIA NAGASAKI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 8th November, at 4 P.M.
SADO MARU J. B. Murray	MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	TUESDAY, 8th November, at 4 P.M.
HAKATA MARU F. L. Sommer	KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 16th November, at 4 P.M.
SANUKI MARU W. Townsend	MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Nov., at 4 P.M.
KASUDA MARU E. W. Haswell	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 25th November, at 4 P.M.
SEMDAI MARU C. Olsen	YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHENULOPO, NAGASAKI, FUSAN AND GENSAN	FRIDAY, 25th November, at Noon
MIKE MARU S. Kawamura	KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 25th November, at Noon

*Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

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A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1898.

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THE Steamship

"JOHN SANDERSON."
Captain Smith, will be despatched for the above port on or about the 12th November.
To be followed by the S.S. "GLENVILLE," sailing about 25th November, 1898.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1898. [1211]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship

"SARPEDON."
Captain Grier, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1898. [1295]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"GLENARTNEY."
Captain Frazer, will be despatched as above on or about the 7th December.
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Hongkong, 4th November, 1898. [1312]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

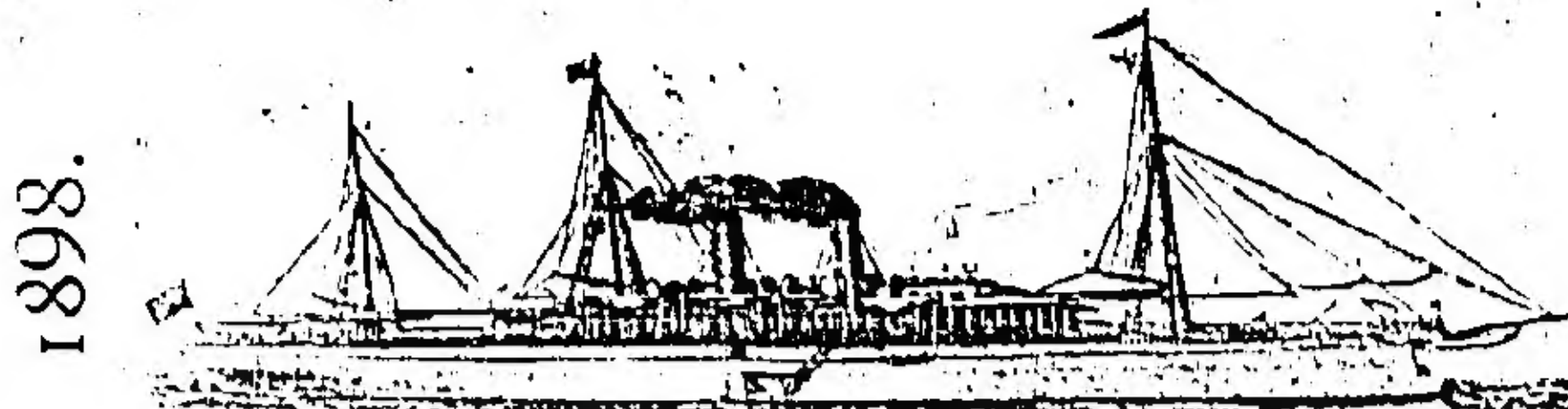
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THE Chartered Steamship

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EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 21st Dec., 1898.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 18th Jan., 1899.

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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder's Street.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1898.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Thursday, 15th Dec., 1898.

AMERICAN MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, 14th Jan., 1899.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, 7th Feb., 1899.

THE "NIPPON MARU."

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via HANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 15th December, 1898, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.
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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havre, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.
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Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1898. [1310]

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG: SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight and Passage.
*BABELSBERG ...	HAVRE & HAMBURG	8th November	Freight and Passage.
ANDALUSIA ...	LONDON, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	11th Nov., Daylight	Freight and Passage.
STOLBERG ...	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 17th November	Freight and Passage.
SAVOIA ...	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 18th December	Freight and Passage.

These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers and carry a Doctor and a Stewardess.

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1898.

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Wednesday, 9th Nov., at Noon.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, 29th Nov., at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Thursday, 22nd Dec., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING."

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1898. [1312]



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Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.
For further Particulars, apply to H. A. KITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 31st October, 1898. [1313]

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen ... Wednesday 9th Nov.
Bayern ... Wednesday 17th Dec.
Prinz Heinrich ... Wednesday 4th Jan.
Preussien ... Wednesday 1st Feb.
Sachsen ... Wednesday 1st March.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of Nov., 1898, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supper, with MAILED PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 7th November. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY the 8th Nov., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 8th Nov. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
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Hongkong, 12th October, 1898. [1222]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBÉ, AND YOKOHAMA.

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Tacoma ... 2,553 A. Dixon ... Dec 10.
Glenora ... 3,750 J. McGilivray ... Jan. 10.
Olympia ... 1,691 T. H. Dobson ... Jan. 14.

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IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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Laneros ... 1,577 Williamson ... Dec. 24.
Columbia ... 1,505 A. Gow ... Jan. 25.
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Hongkong, 4th September, 1898. [14]

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